

**New Earswick Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**20 January 2025**  
**Business Commenced at 19.00 hours**

**Attending Councillors:** Sue Glenton (Chair) (SG)  
Christine Cooke (CC)  
Christine Durrant (CD)  
Will Durrant (WD)  
Roy Love (RL)  
Yvonne Orton (YO)  
Carol Runciman (CR)  
Audrey Steel (AS)  
Joan Whitehead (JW)

**Visitors:** JRHT - (Resident Involvement Officer)  
Police (Local PCSO)  
Two Local Residents

**Clerk/Minute Taker:** Sally Bruckshaw (SB)

**25.01.01 Notices of the meeting**

The notices of the meeting had been posted on the Parish Council notice board and web site.

**25.01.02 To receive and note apologies from Members who were unable to attend the meeting**

None.

**25.01.03 To consider and accept the reasons for absence provided**

None required.

**25.01.04 To receive declarations of interest on any items on the agenda**

None received.

**25.01.05 To receive reports on Police matters**

A Change to local PCSO representative – Oliver Maskell attended the meeting and gave details on the background to changes to the PCSO working areas. He outlined some of the community liaison work that he hoped to undertake over the coming months.

B Monthly reports for November and December – Received.

C Dates for future Drop In sessions – The next date had been set for Tuesday, 4 February at the Folk Hall between 10.00 and 11.30.

D Consultation on funding for policing and fire and rescue services – Noted.

E Resident concerns about the speed of vehicles in New Earswick – Two local residents attended the meeting. They highlighted some of the issues that they felt needed addressing involving the different speed limits on the main road through the village. SG had previously attended a meeting with COYC that was raising the possibility of widening the scope of 20 mph to different areas of the City. It was agreed that the Parish Council would continue to lobby for improvements.

It was noted that the proposed development of the Old School Field had been delayed due to changes to funding. This development had implications for traffic in New Earswick, which had been raised by the Parish Council during the planning consultation process.

F COYC - Consultation regarding the introduction of a city wide Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) – Noted.

#### 25.01.06 **Membership of the Council**

One Casual Vacancy remained.

#### 25.01.07 **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November, 2024**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 November, 2024 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

#### 25.01.08 **To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting**

Responsibility of residents to maintain hedges in the Parish. The Landscape Manager (JRHT) had notified the meeting that residents who needed assistance to cut hedges would need to hire a gardener. Funding was not available to set up a scheme to undertake such work.

#### 25.01.09 **To receive correspondence since the previous meeting other than that circulated for information**

A COYC - Consultation - Review of polling districts, place and stations – No changes were proposed for New Earswick.

B COYC - The Licensing Act 2003 - Consultation on Cumulative Impact Assessment Statement – Noted.

C Resident querying removal of rookery in mature beech trees adjacent to JR school – Further information was to be sought.

25.01.10 **Update from the Finance Committee - 5 December, 2024**

CR outlined the details of the meeting (the draft minutes had been circulated to all Members).

25.01.11 **To agree a recommendation the budget and approve the precept for the 2025-26 financial year**

Members of the Finance Committee had considered the details of the draft budget proposals and made a recommendation of an increase of £2000 to the next precept. The draft budget had been circulated to all Members.

**RESOLVED:** That the precept for the 2025-26 financial year be set at £30000.00.

25.01.12 **Confirmation of audit arrangements for the 2024-25 year including appointment of an Internal Auditor**

Quotations had been sought for the appointment of an auditor for the 2024-25 internal audit from the National Auditors Forum.

**RESOLVED:** It was confirmed that Elkerlodge Bookkeeping would undertake the internal audit on 30.04.25.

25.01.13 **Grant Applications**

York Masters Boxing Club – New boxing gym and relocation to New Earswick Sports Club - Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 Section 19. Advice had been sought from YLCA relating to grant finance for buildings.

**RESOLVED:** That a grant of £2820.00 be awarded.

25.01.14 **Update on grants previously issued to local organisations**

Community Action for Nature and New Earswick Sports and Social Club had both confirmed the outcome of their projects previously awarded financial support.

25.01.15 **Approval of updated Risk Assessments**

The Risk Assessments had been circulated to all Members and some additional comments included.

**RESOLVED:** That the Risk Assessments be adopted.

25.01.16     **Confirmation of external assets check (13.11.24) and notification of urgent repairs undertaken to Rowan Avenue bus shelter**

The external assets check had taken place. The contractor appointed to make repairs to the Rowan Avenue bus shelter had undertaken and completed the work required.

25.01.17     **Planning Consultations**

A 24/02009/FUL - New Earswick Sports Club, White Rose Avenue, New Earswick YO32 4AG

Variation of condition 2 of permitted development 24/00115/FUL to alter approved plans and elevations.

B 24/02040/TCA - 2 Rowan Avenue, New Earswick YO32 4AT

Fell 2 no. leylandii and 1 no. scotts pine – Trees in a Conservation Area.

Members had no objection to these two applications. Response B.

C Update – 28/01879/FUL – Garages at Hawthorn Terrace – Including proposed Section 106 Agreement.

It was confirmed that this application along with the additional one for the removal of garages, had both been deferred before a decision was made by COYC.

25.01.18     **Attendance at meetings**

A Bus Forum and renewal of membership for 2025. CC had provided written notes from the minutes of recent meetings. A further meeting was due the next evening.

**RESOLVED:** That membership of the Bus Forum be renewed for 2025.

B Haxby Patients Group – JW had queried about the various categories of health workers and a paper had been circulated along with the minutes of the meeting. Members continued to have concerns about some staff roles and funding implications.

C Invitation to official installation service of the new Rector – CR was to attend as a representative.

D JRHT - Discussion relating to the future production of the What's On bulletin. CD notified the meeting that a meeting was to take place to consider this. Date to be confirmed.

25.01.19 **To approve the financial transactions listed below**

A Mindfulness Minds (L Lewington) – Reissued	1000.00 (13.12.24)
B Society of Local Council Clerks	190.00 (20.12.24)
C Salary (December)	As agreed (20.12.24)
D HMRC	907.42 (20.12.24)
E Banner Business Solutions Ltd	51.92 (20.12.24)
F JP Services Contractors Ltd	1020.00 (30.12.24)
G Pinnacle Web Design York	176.40 (2.1.25)
H Petty cash	50.00 (20.1.25)
I Salary (January)	As agreed (20.1.25)
J JRF (room hire)	63.00 (20.1.25)
K COYC (Room hire)	900.00 (20.1.25)

**RESOLVED:** That the above payments be accepted.

The quarterly finance statement and bank reconciliation for the period to the end of December had been circulated.

25.01.20 **Update on changes to bank signatories**

Following a number of exchanges of correspondence, the alterations to the NS&I accounts had been confirmed. Changes to the main bank accounts would now be progressed.

25.01.21 **Items for the next meeting**

Rookery in trees adjacent to Joseph Rowntree School.

Parking outside the University Sports Ground.

Feedback on property repairs by JRHT.

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.15 hours.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Chair, 17 February, 2025